September 15, 2003

Mary L. Cottrell
Secretary
Department of Telecommunications And Energy
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
One South Station, Second Floor
Boston, MA 02110

Re: D.T.E. 03-60 – Proceeding by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy on its own Motion to Implement the Requirements of the Federal Communications Commission's *Triennial Review Order* Regarding Switching for Mass Market Customers

Dear Ms. Cottrell:

Pursuant to the Vote and Order to Open Proceeding issued by the Department in the subject proceeding on August 26, 2003, BridgeCom International, Inc. ("BridgeCom") hereby requests the right to participate in the Department's inquiry into the extent of the impairment competing carriers would suffer in their ability to serve mass market customers in the absence of unbundled access to the local circuit switching facilities of Verizon New England, Inc. d/b/a Verizon Massachusetts ("Verizon").

BridgeCom is a competitive local exchange carrier authorized to provide, and providing, service to customers in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, as well as the States of New York and New Jersey. BridgeCom provides a full array of voice and data services predominantly to small and mid-size businesses, as well as governmental entities. BridgeCom's principal means of service provision is the unbundled network element platform ("UNE Platform").

BridgeCom's continued ability to serve its customers and expand its business and operations is dependent upon the continued availability of the UNE Platform and uninterrupted unbundled access to Verizon's local circuit switching facilities. The Department's determinations regarding the continued availability of such facilities to serve mass market customers, accordingly, are of critical importance to BridgeCom.

It is BridgeCom's intention to participate fully in the subject proceeding. To this end, BridgeCom intends to engage in discovery, prepare and file testimony, be an active participant in hearings conducted by the Department, and fully brief all matters.

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In accordance with the foregoing, BridgeCom requests authorization to participate in the subject proceeding.

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